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Tickets for Pat Green concert going fast

By Elizabeth Thurman
The Chanticleer News Editor

"Tickets are selling fast," said SGA President Mardracus Russell of the spring concert featuring Pat Green set for tonight at Pete Mathews Coliseum at 8 p.m. "Get them while you can."

Although tickets will still be sold at the door, Russell says students should buy tickets early in

the day to avoid paying extra money. Tickets are \$15 for students if they are purchased before the concert and \$20 at the door.

Tickets went on sale March 14 and can still be purchased today online or at Kennamar Hall.

Pat Green is a country recording artist that boasts such hits as "Wave on Wave," "Three Days," and "Don't Break My Heart Again." He has gained huge popularity in the past several

years for his unique sound that laces country, alternative and rock-and-roll genres with raw, straight-forward lyrics.

The decision to headline Pat Green for the Spring 2005 concert came after months of planning and researching on the part of the SGA. The concert committee considered several musical acts before ultimately deciding on Green. Russell estimates that the entire event cost the SGA

\$47,000, with \$18,000 of that figure being allotted for Green's fees.

The SGA conducted a student survey in October to measure opinion on this year's concert. Of the 359 students who participated, most suggested serving alcoholic beverages at the event, but JSU policy prohibits this practice.

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Members of JSU Model Arab League take honors

By Jennifer Bacchus
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

Last month, while the rest of Jacksonville State University was preparing for Spring Break, two groups of students were preparing for debate.

On Friday, March 18, students from 16 universities and one high school arrived at Converse College in Spartanburg, SC, for the Southeast University Model Arab League.

Two of the 17 collegiate groups hailed from JSU. The Political Science Model Arab League represented Egypt and the JSU Model Arab



Left: A display of a series of photographs from Tuesday night's art show.

Below: Two attendees enjoy the pieces submitted by artists for the show.

Getting



groups hailed from JSU. The Political Science Model Arab League represented Egypt and the JSU Model Arab League represented United Arab Emirates.

Two members of the Egyptian assembly, Amber Dudley and Dwayne Rice, were awarded Best Delegation by their peers in the Environmental Committee.

“We were the mediators of the group. We got everybody together. You have to know what you want to do and do it in a way so that it doesn’t anger people,” said Dudley.

The purpose of the competition was to debate issues faced in the Arab world and to present, and hopefully pass, mock legislation that would be beneficial to the country that particular delegation represented.

Some of the other colleges involved in the competition were Georgia State University, Mercer University and Converse College itself, which represented Lebanon.

Dr. Lori Owens is advisor for the Political Science Model Arab League and Dr. Thomas Baucom heads up the JSU Model Arab League.

Communication Department honors students in week-long celebration

By Jennifer Bacchus
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

The JSU College of Education and Professional Studies hosted its fourth annual Communication Week April 4-7. The week culminated in an awards banquet where students who excelled in various areas of study were recognized.

Lee-Anne Hall was given the award for academic excellence in broadcasting while

Alicia Bankson and Elizabeth Thurman attained the same honor for Public Relations and Print Journalism respectively.

This year’s character awards, which are chosen by the faculty, went to Antoine Jackson, Jennifer Green, Anne-Marie Reynolds, Katherine Nelson, and Jimese Warren Harkley.

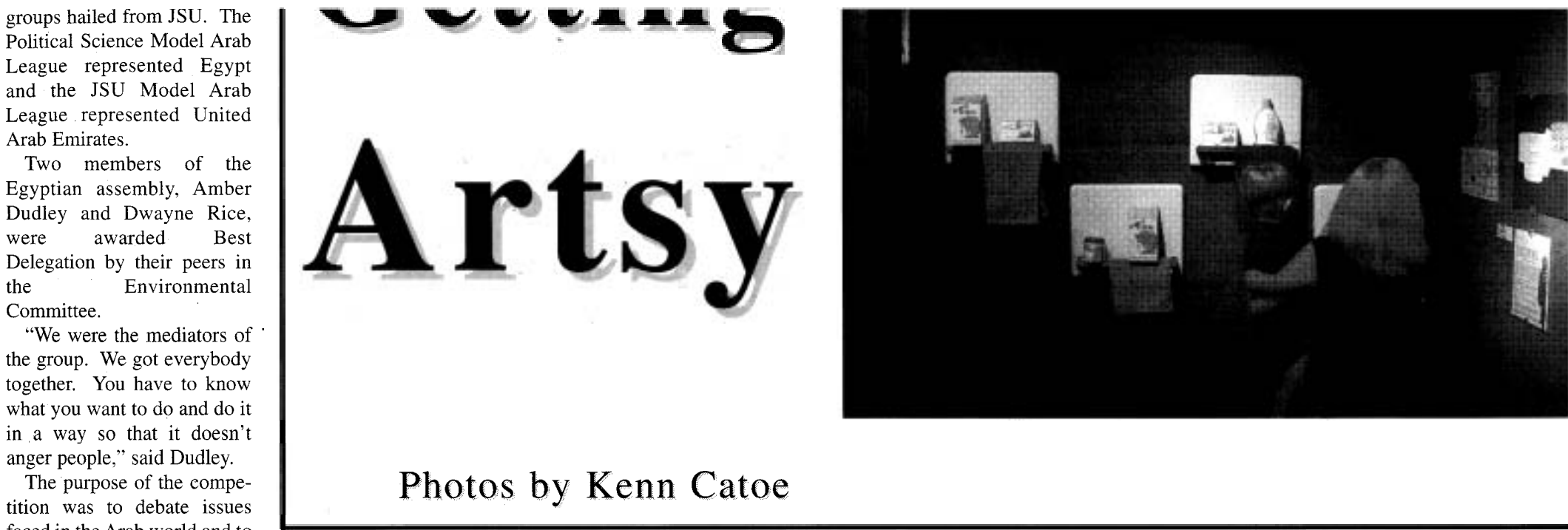
In addition to the faculty-chosen awards, several students received recognition from

their peers.

Patrick McCreless earned the award for Best Headline of the Year for the Chanticleer with the headline “Nader definitely didn’t win.” Best New DJ at 92-J went to Joshua Hommes and Josh Bomar won Best Specialty Show at 92-J for his show “Cigarettes and Train Wrecks.”

This year’s theme was “Communication

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Photos by Kenn Catoe

Serial bomber stashes dynamite near governmental building, agents say

By Jay Reeves
Associated Press Writer

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) - Eric Rudolph stashed dynamite near a building that government agents used as a headquarters during the huge manhunt for the serial bomber, federal sources close to the case told The Associated Press on Monday.

Agents believe that while he was a fugitive, Rudolph left a large stash of dynamite near a National Guard armory that served as a tempo-

rary base for agents during the search for Rudolph near Murphy, N.C., a federal official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The exact proximity of the explosives to the armory is not known, but the official said the cache was close enough to the building to have caused damage had it exploded.

Another federal source said bomb components were found buried near the armory - located near woods about two miles outside of Murphy - but

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Domestic goddess contests house arrest sentence

By Erin McClam
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) - A federal judge Monday rejected Martha Stewart’s bid to end her five months of house arrest early, calling her sentence “reasonable and appropriate.”

U.S. District Judge Miriam Goldman Cedarbaum said she was not persuaded by Stewart’s claim that the punishment was hurting her business.

Stewart began her five months of house arrest in early March after serving a five-month prison term in West Virginia. She was convicted last year of lying about her sale of stock in a pharmaceutical company.

The judge also brushed aside Stewart’s bid to be allowed to leave her suburban estate 80 hours per week for business. Under the original sentence, she is allowed 48 hours per week.

Stewart asked for resentencing after a U.S. Supreme Court ruling earlier this year made federal sentencing guidelines simply advisory for judges rather than mandatory.

The original sentence of five months in prison and five months of home confinement was the least possible sentence Stewart could have received under the guidelines for her crimes.

Cedarbaum said she would have imposed the same sentence even

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By the numbers: Gamecock Scoreboard:

Number of Chanticleer issues left in the school year

0

Have a good summer

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alpha Xi Delta: Good luck everyone with finals! Congratulations to all the chapters on Greek awards! We are looking forward to our Founder's Day celebration in Birmingham this weekend! Sister of the week: Melea Black. **Contact:** Amy Walker, amy_roo@excite.com.

Delta Zeta: Congratulations to our new sisters! Kim, Amber, Nicole, Laura, Robin, and Heidi - we love you all so much! Welcome to sisterdom! Check out www.jaxstdelta.org. **Contact:** Laura, lauradzl@yahoo.com.

SGA: Congratulations to all the new Senators. Don't forget Student Senate on Mondays at 6 p.m. in the TMB Auditorium. Midnight Snack and Karaoke in the Café is Wednesday, April 20 from 10 p.m. - 12 a.m. All you can eat breakfast for only \$3. Good luck to everyone on finals and have a great summer! **Contact:** Emily Rollins, emily_rollins2001@yahoo.com.

Zeta Tau Alpha: We hope that everyone is having a wonderful week so far. We are so proud of our new initiates - congratulations ladies. We are looking forward to our Parents' Day this weekend in Anniston. Congratulations to everyone who performed so well during Greek Week and to everyone who received awards. The end of the semester is quickly approaching, so study hard! Go Gamecocks! **Contact:** natalie_shearer@hotmail.com.

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The Chanticleer reserves the right to refuse publication of any submission for any reason. We also reserve the right to edit submissions for style, brevity, and clarity.

CAMPUS CRIME

April 5

Al Harris reported harassing communications at Bibb Graves Hall.

April 6

Jeremy Kyle Henderson was arrested for disorderly conduct for fighting in the parking lot of Crow Hall. Another suspect fled the scene.

Joey Leon Vann was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.

April 7

Bursar's Office reported a forged check.

April 8

Richard Mark Kendrick, Jr. reported harassing communications at Patterson Hall.

Possession of alcohol by a minor and criminal trespassing was reported at Sparkman Hall.

April 11

Lucas Jake Nix was arrested for possession of a forged instrument

Pat comes to town

from Green, page 1

"We have so many costs to consider in planning the concert," said Russell. "We have to hire security, pay for T-shirts and even hire someone to sweep the floors after the concert is over."

The SGA actively advertised the concert, even sending information to Alabama high schools and universities. Flyers have been distributed all over JSU's campus and you can hardly walk through a building without seeing a form of advertisement for the event.

"I encourage all students to be a part of this concert," said Russell.

Students are encouraged to bring their student I.D.'s with them when purchasing tickets. For more information, contact the Office of Student Life, 782-5491.



Pat Green

courtesy of jesuitcp.org

Famous Florida bar destroyed by Ivan set for repairs; owners say atmosphere will remain

Associated Press

PERDIDO KEY, Fla. (AP) - The famed Flora-Bama Lounge will be bulldozed because of damage from Hurricane Ivan, but the owners say it will be "just as low rent" as before when rebuilt on the Florida-Alabama state line.

The ramshackle bar, a beachfront landmark for 43 years, was still standing after the September hurricane, but Ivan's storm surge almost gutted the low-slung building, filling it with sand "bar high," said co-owner Joe Gilchrist.

He and partner Pat McClellan will hold an Irish wake Saturday for the old Flora-Bama. They said the 20th annual Interstate Mullet Toss also will go on as scheduled April 22-24, giving loyal fans yet

another chance to see how far into the next state they can chuck the ubiquitous seafood staple.

"It will be awful seeing it go," said bartender Susan Poston. "I understand the need to do it, but it will break my heart."

Demolition will begin once the owners obtain a permit from Escambia County.

Flora-Bama employees salvaged as much of the original bricks, photos and wood as possible. They also rescued dozens of signed bras that hung from the rafters so they again can be displayed in the new building.

Some Flora-Bama employees and musicians, including Poston, are working across the street at the Silver Moon Cafe. It has extended its hours and live music until the Flora-Bama is rebuilt.

Rudolph
points
agents to

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Got some broken necklaces?

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April 12
Karon Lashaye Pesnell reported the theft of a red purse valued at \$20 from Stone Center.

Boots placed on cars:

- Anthony James Cooper: Tan Hyundai Sonata
- George N. Summers: White Chevy Tahoe
- Lora Ann Barrister: Purple Dodge Neon

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if the guidelines had not been mandatory at the time of the sentencing last summer.

“In my opinion, the sentence I imposed was particularly needed to reflect the seriousness of the offense, to promote respect for the law and to provide just punishment,” the judge wrote.

In a March Web chat, Stewart told fans that the electronic monitoring bracelet she must wear while under house arrest is “somewhat uncomfortable and irritating.”

Crystal meth production in Alabama reaches all-time high

By **Phillip Rawls**
Associated Press Writer

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) - The Alabama Legislature may soon make it more difficult to buy your favorite cold medicine. Former methamphetamine maker Todd Sasser hopes you won't mind the inconvenience. He says it's the best thing the Legislature could do to keep people from making the same mistakes he did.

Bills are pending in the House and Senate that would require a key ingredient in methamphetamine - the non-prescription decongestants ephedrine and pseudoephedrine - to be put behind the counter in Alabama stores. Customers wanting the drugs would have to ask for them and would be limited in the amount they could buy.

“That would be wonderful,” said Sasser, who now operates a faith-based drug rehabilitation program in Opp.

He said methamphetamine - often called “crystal meth” or “meth” - has reached epidemic proportions in Alabama, and the epidemic won't be stemmed until the ingredients become hard to get.

“You can go to Wal-Mart or a country convenience store to make crystal meth,” he said.

Meth is not like marijuana or cocaine. The drug is not imported, and it is not sold through a network of dealers. Ingredients, such as matches, lye, and iodine, are purchased locally and they are cooked in people's kitchens or garages. The drug is shared by the makers and a few friends.

“There are no kingpins,”

The homemaking maven also told the judge that serving the rest of her sentence would hamper production of her two new TV programs - a daytime talk show and a version of NBC's “The Apprentice.”

In court papers that mocked the request for a shorter sentence, federal prosecutors urged the judge to uphold the original sentence.

“Minor inconvenience to one's ability to star in a television show is an insufficient ground for resentencing,” prosecutor Michael Schachter wrote.

said Mike O'Dell, district attorney for DeKalb and Cherokee counties in northeast Alabama. “We are dealing with mom and pop labs. They are all independent folks.”

Law enforcement officers in the two counties found 130 meth labs last year - an average of more than two per week. Meth figured into almost all crimes in the counties last year because 90 percent of the people arrested for all felonies were meth dependent, O'Dell said.

In Covington County at the southern end of the state, law enforcement officers have found 186 labs during the last 4 1/2 years - or about one every week and a half.

“We got lambasted by methamphetamine,” District Attorney Greg Gambril said.

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points agents to hidden explosives

from **Rudolph**, page 1

officials weren't sure how long they had been in the ground. The device “wasn't operational,” but contained all the pieces of a bomb, the source said, also speaking on condition of anonymity.

Rudolph revealed several stashes containing about 250 pounds of dynamite in all as he agreed to plead guilty to fatal bombings at the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta and a Birmingham abortion clinic, the Justice Department announced last week. Rudolph also confessed to a pair of bombings in the Atlanta area in 1997.

The plea bargain allows Rudolph to escape the death penalty.

The new details about the location of the explosives emerged as federal court officials in Alabama and Georgia arranged space and closed-circuit televisions for the dozens of victims expected to show up when Rudolph pleads guilty Wednesday.

Whether the public will learn exactly why the anti-government extremist pulled off the attacks that killed two people and injured more than 120 is unclear.

“To an extent, the Olympics may have reflected a view, albeit a paranoid one, that we were moving to a world government or a new world order,” said Kent Alexander, who was U.S. attorney when the Atlanta Games were bombed in 1996. “The only one who knows is Eric Rudolph, and maybe we'll hear from him on Wednesday.”

Calls to two of Rudolph's lawyers were not immediately returned Monday.

The government said dynamite was found in three areas relatively near populated areas, including one spot where Rudolph had buried a fully constructed bomb that had the detonator detached. All the dynamite was destroyed in a series of controlled explosions last week, officials said.

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Communication students honored in awards banquet

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in the Real World: How Practitioners See It." Each day featured a lecture by a communications professional. They instructed the students in what to expect during an internship or at their first job.

Monday's presentation was by Jason Bozeman, program director of 102.9 MIX FM in Gadsden.

Bozeman is a graduate of JSU who worked as DJ and program director for 92-J while he was a student.

He told the audience how he applies many of the skills he had learned as a student in his work; mentioning one time when the computer crashed and he had to recall the skills he learned as a campus DJ.

He also emphasized the importance of writing. Though radio is a broadcast medium and the printed word is never sent to the listeners, Bozeman says that he has to re-write stories so they fit in the short news segment.

Print Journalism Day was Tuesday, April 5. Philip Tutor, the Managing Editor of The Anniston Star, spoke on "Job Skills for the Real World of Journalism."

He began his presentation by asking six members of the audience to pretend they were looking for an internship. Each was given different qualifications, such as majoring in journalism or being an experienced copy

editor and reporter.

This exercise showed the audience that the more varied the experience one has as a student and the more various types of classes taken, the more eligible for jobs and internships the student will be.

Tutor proved his point by citing the Newspaper Association of America. The NAA said that journalism graduates need to have two thirds of their credit hours in courses outside of journalism.

"When you go into journalism you aren't going to cover journalism. You are going to cover the world. So you need to know the world," said Tutor.

Public Relations held the spotlight on day three. Susan Williamson, Director of Marketing and Public Relations for

Regional Medical Center spoke to the students and faculty.

In her job at RMC, Williamson has to communicate with 1400 employees, 185 physicians and 300 volunteers. They are each the public face of the hospital and it is a problem if they don't have the right information to communicate with patients and their families.

She gave the example of HIPAA, the Health Information Portability and Accountability Act, which was introduced in 2003.

"HIPAA was a big fat hippopotamus that we didn't know what to do with," she said, referring to the troubles her department had with the news media and friends of patients when information could no longer be released without the express consent of the patient.

The hospital now has a system in place to deal with all types of information requests and, though she still gets plenty of urgent phone calls at all hours of the day and night, Williamson says, "I have a neat job. I really do. It changes from day to day."

At the awards luncheon on Thursday, Gina Pesco, General Manager of Corporate Communications for Atlantic Southeast Airlines, gave the keynote speech.



courtesy of Jennifer Bacchus

Jennifer Curren accept the John C. Turner award from John C. Turner at the Communication Award Banquet held April 7. The luncheon was the final event in a series of week-long activities.

State legislature responds to meth problem

from **Meth**, Page 2

Last year, the Legislature responded to the epidemic by requiring stores to place 60 milligram tablets of pseudoephedrine behind the counter or in locked display cabinets.

This session, Sen. Lowell Barron, D-Fyffe, and Rep. Frank McDaniel, D-Albertville,

ing the purchases of decongestants, the House has passed and sent to the Senate a bill by Rep. Ron Johnson, R-Sylacauga, that would make it a crime to expose a child to a meth lab. Simple exposure could bring a sentence of one to 10 years.

If the child was injured by the meth or by the toxic chemicals that are a byproduct of cooking

Arkansas and Washington have already passed similar bills.

Currently when Alabama police raid a meth lab and find children present, the only option available to prosecutors is to bring child abuse charges. "Statutorily, it's very hard to prove," Gambriel said.

O'Dell said the legislation is badly needed. "Eighty percent

said.

Sasser, the former meth maker, estimates that children are exposed to about half of the state's meth labs. He bases that estimate on personal experience.

"I had two kids in my house, and I'd make them go to bed at 10 so I could cook dope."

Chief Ladiga 5K Challenge

Jacksonville Lions Club First Annual Chief Ladiga 5K Challenge on Saturday, April 16. Race will start from the Pete Mathews Coliseum at 8:00 and is open to both walkers and runner

Any student organization with the most entrants in the race will win a plaque (with group photograph and names engraved) for greatest participation

The plan is to make this an annual race to raise proceeds to benefit the charities the club supports yearlong. Some of the services include providing glasses for the needy, transporting the elderly to doctors, distributing food for the needy, a scholarship to Jacksonville State University, as well as donations to The Head Injury Foundation, World Alive Food Program, Boys & Girls Club, Hope Harbor, The American Red Cross, and The Seeing Eye Dog Program.

The pre-registration fee is \$12. The onsite registration fee is \$15. For questions, contact Laurie Charnigo at 435-0989 or visit <http://run->

or in locked display cabinets.

This session, Sen. Lowell Barron, D-Fyffe, and Rep. Frank McDaniel, D-Albertville, want to go farther. They want to require all tablets where pseudoephedrine or ephedrine is the sole active ingredient - such as some types of Sudafed - to be put behind the counter or in locked display cabinets.

After July 1, purchasers would have to show an ID and sign for the purchase.

Tablets where ephedrine or pseudoephedrine is one of several active ingredients will either have to be placed behind the counter, in a locked case, or kept under constant video surveillance, with the surveillance tapes maintained for a month.

Purchases would be limited to two packages.

"If you prevent the meth maker from getting the products or reduce their ability to get it, they can't make the drug," Gambriel said.

Alabama is not alone in considering such legislation. The legislatures in Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri and Tennessee have already passed similar bills this year.

The Alabama legislation, like most other states, does not regulate liquid and gel capsules because meth makers aren't using them.

The Alabama legislation has bipartisan support, with Republican Attorney General Troy King saying the time has come for restrictions because meth "is ripping apart families. It is killing our people."

The Alabama Retail Association, which normally resists restrictions on merchants, is also backing the bills.

Spokeswoman Alison Wingate said the association understands the problems caused by meth and has worked with legislators and law enforcement groups to develop bills that will allow consumers to treat their colds while blocking large purchases by meth makers.

"We're trying to make it harder and slow it down," she said.

In addition to the bill restrict-

of one to 10 years.

If the child was injured by the meth or by the toxic chemicals that are a byproduct of cooking meth, a person could get two to 20 years in prison.

"Statutorily, it's very hard to prove," Gambriel said.

O'Dell said the legislation is badly needed. "Eighty percent of our foster children are coming out of meth lab homes," he

"I had two kids in my house, and I'd make them go to bed at 10 so I could cook dope."

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OPINION

Good-bye, hello and here's to ya

By J. Wilson Guthrie
The Chanticleer
Editor-in-Chief



When I first started here at JSU seven years ago and The Chanticleer four years ago, I never really thought about writing my last editorial. As a matter of fact, when I started at JSU I never thought that I would ever write. I wanted to be a vet, and come hell or high water I was going to be that. Three semesters and two failed biology classes later, I realized that I just was not cut out of the veterinarian dough.

So my significant other at the time talked me into trying the journalism classes. So I did, and realized how much I had really missed writing since I had been in college. I loved the written word and I loved people to read what I had written.

Then I went over-seas and my WHOLE life turned on its edge. I lost friends, loved ones and I believe that I lost a part of, what was at one point, myself. Then I kissed the ground at Ft. Benning, Ga., and started new.

I am not really sure how I ended up back at Jacksonville, most of the three months after I came home were a drunken haze.

But there I was, working with people I had known for years. It felt like one big fat dysfunctional family, and home.

Most of you have heard the story of how I became the sports editor. How over several beers at an Ethan and the Ewox show at Brothers, I said yes to what would be some of my best times at JSU.

I have covered everything from the basketball team's first Division I twenty-win season to the first football conference title and playoff birth in over a decade. I was also on the receiving end of one of the worst phone calls of my life: Tera Ross had been killed in a car wreck on her way home to Florida over Christmas break. I had just finished telling my uncles how much I loved to watch her play, and that she was the first TRUE athlete that I had seen in years. We'll all miss you Tera.

Then, one of my first stories as editor, was a story about one of my old sports writers being arrested for child pornography. Once again I was shocked and saddened.

I have seen six SGA presidents, two presidents, two presidential elections and countless other happenings. I have been here for a lot.

My only hope is that I have left this place, this paper, this department and everything better than when I got here. Now for my staff.

Ben Cunningham was my first editor and by far the best. I still wonder what he will say about every article that I write. He has been an inspiration and a great driving force in my career.

Roz Moore is still the funniest person that I have ever had a chance to work with. I missed her and Herb this year.

Amado Ortiz is my first writer and the only member of the editorial staff that (I hope) will be returning next year. I have watched him grow through his work for about two years now and he is well on his way to being a great writer.

I met Erin Chupp when she was with The Chanticleer as photo editor. I got to know her even better in advanced reporting. She will be sorely missed in the Features section and I hope that she has a good time overseas.

Patrick McCreless applied for the copy-editing job and beat out several other people for it. I can truly say that he

is the most qualified person for this job and has kept us all sane and going when we all got down.

Kenn Catoe came in when I needed a lot of help. He has and still does come through in the clutch every week with some type of picture that we can use for something in almost all the sections.

Elizabeth Thurman came into some big shoes, with Roz leaving and has done that flawlessly. She has been my saving grace on several occasions and stepped up into a managing role when the paperwork got too much for me. She has left some big shoes to fill herself.

Thanks to you all.

I also want to publicly thank Mom, Pop, Granny, Wanda, Judy, Cory, Ashley and the rest of my family. These people are my family and I love them dearly. If they weren't there for me then I don't know where I would be today, probably not in college or even alive.

I hope that I was a good editor. I think that a lot of the people don't think so. If so, I am sorry. I am sorry to all I offended with those damn cuss words and I am truly sorry to the Conservative Monthly. I just don't know what for.

Water treaders, eye sores and coaches

By Elizabeth Thurman
The Chanticleer
News Editor



Because this is the last editorial I'll ever write for The Chanticleer (wipe your tears and try to be strong - it hurts, I know), I wanted to go out with a bang.

I asked myself - *What can I write about? What am I most knowledgeable about?*

And then it hit me like twelve marble stairs in Big Graves.

Men, naturally.

I hope some of you remember my editorial last fall that carefully profiled certain types of men to avoid at all costs. I got a lot of feedback on that one, especially from my boyfriend at the time who was none too

to speak of. This guy is going nowhere and is thrilled to death about it. He sort of ambles along and stops whenever he can most easily keep his hollow, yet good-looking head afloat for awhile - thus making him a water treader.

2. The Pseudo Metrosexual. This guy is a modified version of the notorious metrosexual that became popular in the early 21st century. Like the metrosexual of yesteryear, this guy is prettier than you are and owns more hair products than Vidal Sassoon. Unlike his predecessor, the nouveau metrosexual's hair looks less like a carefully coiffed, marginally spiked style, and more like a Flock of Seagulls. He has *no* body hair to speak of except for a gritty stubble that creeps up after his third day without the Nair he borrows from you. His collar is always open until the fifth button down and he exfoliates. Any kind of music that he can't "jam" to is "redneck." He enjoys martinis and showers you with

just nods when you try to strike up a conversation. It's not that he's not interested - he just doesn't quite understand how to speak yet. You don't care at first because you like looking at him, but eventually you notice the urge to shake him furiously when your attempts at communication are met with a polite smile and such profound responses as "yeah" or "oh really?"

5. The Coach. This guy *loves* his sports but doesn't understand how to separate the field from his relationship with you. If you ever hear him say, "If you're gonna be a bear, be a grizzly" - *run away and run away quickly*. He's a critic, this guy, and doesn't mind pointing out your every flaw and urging you not so subtly to correct it. He drills you like an offensive coordinator and you tense up when he's around. You jokingly call him "sir" and you get the sneaking suspicion that he enjoys the glory.

6. The Team Player. This offender has a posse of

QUESTION
OF THE
WEEK:

WHAT HAS
MOST
INFLUENCED
YOUR YEAR
AT JSU?



Alice in Wonderland

"Well I thought the
privacy I could find
on campus."



Wanda Land

"I'm tired of running."

Wanda Land
"I'm tired of running,
you finally caught
me."



Alli Land

"Ya'll the
paparazzi!"



Al Ortiz

"Yo, check it!!! My
mustache finally grew
in."

I hope some of you remember my editorial last fall that carefully profiled certain types of men to avoid at all costs. I got a lot of feedback on that one, especially from my boyfriend at the time who was none too pleased that I had compiled a laundry list of exes from hell and distributed it around campus. Nevertheless, I have expanded that list of eyesores and egomaniacs and am thrilled to share it with you.

**** DISCLAIMER **** *These aren't necessarily guys that I've dated recently. Let's be frank. (Frank ... have I dated a Frank?) If I had dated this much in a few short months, I certainly wouldn't admit it. No, these are males that I've crossed paths with over several years.*

1. The Water Treader. This guy is mild-mannered and thinks everything you say is the smartest or funniest thing he's ever heard. If you watch Jeopardy, you *must* be a certified genius but he can't even answer the \$200 questions. He is usually a middle child and there's at least one success story among his siblings - but it isn't his. He brags that he hasn't read a book since high school and at first his looks are enough to get him by with you. He *always* has a good friend or "buddy of mine," as he calls him, who helps him out and tosses crumbs his way. For example, if the friend gets a job out-of-state, he manages to get the water treader a job at the very same company, although he has no real skills

and you tense up when he's around. You jokingly call him "sir" and you get the sneaking suspicion that he enjoys the glory.

3. The Eyesore. This guy is high on personality - low on aesthetics. At first you tell your friends that "he has a great personality," but you're really just trying to convince yourself. When asked to describe him, you say, "He's nice." And you mean it, but you can't live like that and you eventually start resenting him. When he tries to hug you or touch you, your skin crawls inside your body and you feel terrible for it. When you break up with him you tell him, "I'm just not ready for a boyfriend right now, but I really want to be friends." But this guy's resilient. He will later become one of your closest friends that you call late at night after a good time at the Sports Nut when your current love interest leaves with another girl.

4. The Arm Candy. Warning: this one will never work out for you! He's great to look at, but he's dumb as bricks. We're not talking uneducated here; we're talking blank and lifeless. This one's usually tall with great hair, but couldn't tell you who the vice-president is and

Basically, it sucked.

However, being the determined type of guy that I am, I took a few more writing classes, (including my all time favorite news writing class from Lloyd Dobyns) and rejoined the Chanticleer...with a vengeance. Well, it was what I would consider a vengeance.

I wrote many a story, and intended to do so at the beginning of last year when Jeremy Guthrie caught me (or maybe ambushed) on my way to class and asked if I would apply for an open editor position at this paper. Saying yes was probably one of the best decisions I have ever made.

I could not have asked to have a better group to work with. But, truth be told, when it came to work around this office, I usually did the least. Hey, what I did was important, but it was nothing compared to what my co-workers here did.

Except for Guthrie. He was just a slacker.

But seriously, everyone here did a great job cranking out a paper every week, and I was glad to be a part of it.

Now, on a completely unrelated subject, I would just like to take this opportunity to mention my two roommates. I promised I would write about them in one of my editorials. I have known these two guys since my very first days on this campus. Most of the time I think, with all the hell they've put me through over the years, that our meeting was a curse. Especially Bobby Jones. If you ever play a video game with him, then you'll know why I consider him to be my arch-nemesis.

Thank you to anyone who has ever helped me over the years, (including the Republicans, who gave me plenty of stuff to write about) and to my mother and father, who without their support, I wouldn't be where I am today.

And yes, one from Patrick too

By Patrick McCreless
The Chanticleer
Managing Editor



The ending has arrived.

Well, at least for me it has. Not only is this the final editorial I will ever write for this paper, but this is also my final year at JSU. Yes, my college career will be over at the end of the semester, and what a career it has been.

And for the most part, I must say, it was an enjoyable experience. I really have to give it up to the professors here for teaching some interesting and enjoyable classes. Except for Psychology 101.

I will hate that class until my dying day.

My freshman year in 2000 was the one that I think I enjoyed the most. And yes, I know that starting in 2000 means that it has taken me five years to graduate, but it wasn't because I failed classes or anything of that nature. I just...did not take as many classes as I was supposed to each semester. What can I say, I have a lazy streak. I didn't do much during that year but march in the Marching Southerners and...get drunk. I wouldn't trade the memories I have from that year for anything in the world.

But that's not to say that the memories I have from my later years weren't noteworthy. The ones from working at this paper come to mind.

I started out here as a mere staff writer, wanting to see if I really had what it took to be a journalist. At the time, I wasn't sure I had chosen the correct career path. And after writing my first article, I still wasn't.

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FEATURES

Seeing a need in Special Education See ya pals

By Holly Smith
Chanticleer Features Writer

Trees rustling, car horns honking, people yelling, the soft pitter-patter of rain falling, radios blaring, cell phones ringing and the crunch of tires running over leaves are only a few of the sounds one of JSU's blind students might hear on an ordinary day walking to class.

Roxana Gaston, who begins her days with a trek across cam-

pus to Stone Center, is no stranger to these sounds. Gaston first started at JSU in the fall of 1999. Now a senior Foreign Language major, she has grown accustomed to these sounds and does not pay much attention to them.

Born in Bolivia, Gaston and her family moved to Mobile when she was five years old. "Spanish is my first language," she says. "I had to learn English

in order to go to an American school." Even though she was still a small child, Gaston says learning English was difficult for her. "It is hard when people don't speak the same language as you."

Gaston's childhood experiences have led her to pursue a career teaching English as a second language. After she earns a Masters degree, Gaston would prefer to teach children because

she "understands how they feel." She says, "The children are often put in Special Ed classes because the teachers can't communicate with them, so they don't get the same educational opportunities as other children." Gaston feels she can be empathetic to their situations and can be of great help to them.

After attending high school at the Alabama School for the Blind in Talladega, Gaston says

the reason she came to JSU "is a long story, but mostly because my parents liked the school." She finds the students here "okay; there are nice and mean ones, but that is found all over the world."

Gaston spends most of her time studying, but when she can tear herself away from the books, she enjoys hanging out with her friends, shopping and going to movies.

By Erin Chupp
The Chanticleer
Features Editor



I have ridden the ride and paid for the rising cost of tickets each year. It was definitely fast and each time I passed the crowd I saw new faces. At times I was slung around, even sick, but it was a great experience.

It should first be made known that the only way I am actually graduating in four years is because I didn't change my major, took overloaded semesters and completed an internship during a summer. So it is possible, but I can see where times have evolved to five-year plans. However, let us not go too far to say that the ten-year denial plan is kosher.

During my four years my most favorite people and closest friends have come from the Marching Southerners. Though I was often thought to be a music major, I was actually only one of those weird kids who marched because I enjoyed the activity and the fellowship. To this family, through good notes and dissonant chords, you will be missed and treasured. I hope to see many of you again in the future...especially on some glad morning.

Before entering college I heard people say I would treasure college friends for the rest of my life. I found this to be odd, but it's very true. On a dark freshman night on the cold, tile floors of Sparkman, two weeks before school started. I met an

Getting Beck into the music

By Jeff Pruitt
Chanticleer Features Writer

With the recent release of "Guero" on March 29th, Beck has managed to add to his already impressive body of work with his eighth studio album.

"Guero" (pronounced weh-

rise in popularity of "alternative music," Beck was quickly thrust to the forefront as the spokesman of the "slacker generation."

As part of his Geffen deal, he was able to release two other albums on independent labels in 1994; "Stereopathic Soul Manure" on Flipside and "One Foot in the Grave" on K



Springing up all over campus

Photos, Steve Latham



Refugee finds peace

By Joe Milicia
Associated Press Writer

SHAKER HEIGHTS, Ohio (AP) — She survived the murder of her parents and sexual abuse from soldiers in Cambodia only to be teased in the United States — because her clothes didn't match.

Haunted by nightmares of the genocidal Khmer Rouge, refugee Loung Ung weathered the humiliating awkwardness of American puberty.

She suffered depression, feeling guilty for being alive. After all, her parents, two of her sis-

lessons and an education that she began with students two years younger.

Today, Ung's silver earrings complement her winter catalogue-fresh black sweater. She admits being conscious of her appearance ever since coming to America.

She turns 35 on Sunday, the 30th anniversary of the Khmer Rouge's takeover of Cambodia. Her brother chose her birthday when he filled out her refugee papers. He did not want her to forget Cambodia.

She didn't. Despite her attempts to block the war out, she struggled for years with the weight of

has managed to add to his already impressive body of work with his eighth studio album.

"Guero" (pronounced weh-ro) is a combination of the frenzied, eclectic up-tempo songs and the slower, more somber ballad-driven songs that Beck has become equally known for. This represents a change for Beck.

Typically, his recent works are mainly either classified as "party albums" or they are small, acoustic offerings. On "Guero," he has combined the two types of song-writing styles to create a more mature, well-rounded album.

Another difference for Beck on this album, compared to previous ones, is that it's his first as a husband and father. He was married a year ago to actress Marisa Ribisi (twin sister of actor Giovanni) and they have a nine-month old son named Cosimo.

Beck commented on this recently in an MTV News Report available at vhl.com. He said, "My wife was pregnant from the beginning of making this record, and then when I finished, we had the baby. It was like two babies—one was the album, and one was my son."

Beck, himself, was born Beck David Campbell on July 8, 1970, in Los Angeles to an artistic family. His father, David Campbell, worked as a conductor and string arranger, while his mother was a member of Andy Warhol's Factory and appeared in Prison, a Warhol film. Al Hansen, his grandfather, was an influential collage artist in the Fluxus art scene who helped Yoko Ono get her start.

His musical career began in the late 1980s after he dropped out of high school and became a street musician playing acoustic guitar. He was discovered in 1991 and released "Loser" as a single in 1993. It became a smash hit locally in Los Angeles and he was signed by Geffen Records.

"Mellow Gold," his major-label debut, was released in 1994 and with the incredible

was able to release two other albums on independent labels in 1994; "Stereopathic Soul Manure" on Flipside and "One Foot in the Grave" on K Records.

Beck embarked on his first major tour in 1995 as part of the fifth installment of Lollapalooza along with Hole and Sonic Youth.

In 1996, he collaborated with The Dust Brothers on the critically-acclaimed album "Odelay" which went on to sell two million copies. The Dust Brothers also collaborated with the Beastie Boys on "Paul's Boutique" and on Beck's "Guero."

His next release, "Mutations," was similar to the folk style of "One Foot in the Grave" and was intended to be released on an independent record label. However, producer Nigel Goodrich, who has worked with Radiohead, influenced Geffen to release it themselves.

"Midnite Vultures," the official follow-up to "Odelay" was released in 1999. Although it did not sell as well as his previous albums, Beck won a Grammy for Best Alternative Music Performance.

After a three year absence, he resurfaced with "Sea Change," another return to his folk roots. Beck hired the Flaming Lips as his backing band and went on tour to promote the album in 2003.

With "Guero," Beck has managed to create another great album. Now eleven years into his major-label career, he has managed to stay relevant while many of his contemporaries can be seen on VH1's "Where Are They Now?"

Making guest spots on "Guero" are Christina Ricci on "Hell Yes" and Jack White (of the White Stripes) who co-wrote and played bass on "Go It Alone."

This Saturday, April 16th, Beck will be the musical guest on Saturday Night Live which will be hosted by Tom Brady and on July 17th, he will play at the Fuji Rock Festival.

Haunted by nightmares of the genocidal Khmer Rouge, refugee Loung Ung weathered the humiliating awkwardness of American puberty.

She suffered depression, feeling guilty for being alive. After all, her parents, two of her sisters and more than 1.7 million other Cambodians died of starvation, disease or execution at the hands of the Khmer Rouge. Why was she spared?

Ung tried to bury the past but ultimately found peace in telling others her story.

Friends and colleagues know Loung (pronounced Loo-ONG) Ung as "The Tank." It seems an odd nickname for a woman so tiny she needs to lower her office chair so her feet touch the ground.

Her eyes, though, are fierce. She speaks rapid-fire in accented yet perfect English, leaning forward as if to get her words out even faster.

"I'm really tough," she says, explaining her nickname in a tone that leaves no doubt she's telling the truth.

Ung was 5 when her family fled Phnom Penh for the countryside as the Khmer Rouge seized power in 1975. The communist movement overthrew the Cambodian government, evacuated cities and forced people into labor on collective farms. Intellectuals, skilled workers and government officials, like Ung's father, were executed.

Ung ate out of garbage cans and stole food — once from a dying woman in a hospital — to survive. She was forced to work in rice fields and was so filled with rage that she was selected by the Khmer Rouge to be a child soldier — trained to use guns and knives and fed hateful propaganda.

Ung told her story of survival five years ago in "First They Killed My Father." It became a best seller and is used as a textbook in some Cambodian schools, giving a generation of children insight into a period that many in the country aren't willing to talk about.

She still speaks with amazement over the book's success.

"It's a little book about a little girl growing up in a war torn country," she said. "I was really expecting to sell 10 copies to friends and family."

The book ends with her boarding a plane with her brother and his wife after the Khmer Rouge government was deposed. They headed for the United States, leaving her dear sister Chou behind. Her brother Meng could take only one of them and chose Ung because she was younger and he thought she would be more able to adapt.

Her new book "Lucky Child," released this month, begins on that trip, which would take her to Essex Junction, Vt., where the 10-year-old felt like "one of the only nonwhite girls in an all white state."

She went from eating charcoal just to make her stomach feel full to a teenage culture that judged her because she didn't wear Laura Ashley clothes.

"When I was running around eating ice cream, she was dodging bullets and surviving a war," said her husband, Mark Priemer, who met Ung at St. Michael's College in Vermont.

By then, Ung already had a strong command of English, having persevered through speech

brother chose her birthday when he filled out her refugee papers. He did not want her to forget Cambodia.

She didn't. Despite her attempts to block the war out, she struggled for years with the weight of Cambodia on her mind.

"I am so lucky. Not only did I survive, I survived with all my limbs intact," she said. "I felt my life was saved, but for what reason?"

She had no one to relate to on the subject. Psychologists didn't help.

"In America, you've got therapists who specialize in divorce, alcohol, weight issues, writer's block, but there aren't really any I could find in Vermont that specialize in war trauma," she said.

She found her therapy in writing after a high school teacher returned her paper about her life in Cambodia marked "A+++" in red, despite its poor grammar.

Ung realized that embracing her history and later becoming a voice for her country freed her. "It saved me from surviving life to living life," she said.

She has told her story to audiences around the world, working for the Vietnam Veterans of America Foundation since 1997 and its Nobel Prize-winning Campaign for a Landmine Free World, which has provided thousands of prosthetic limbs around the world.

"She's somebody you can relate to — very attractive, very Americanized, but what comes out is just staggering," said Bobby Muller, chairman of the foundation.

"It rocks people. She's the best thing this organization has ever had to advance our agenda."

Ung has returned to Cambodia more than 20 times, reconnecting with Chou, who survived devastating poverty to raise a family of her own.

Ung slips seamlessly from talking about her sister seeing a man blown apart by a land mine to Clevelanders who can't park their cars without taking up two spots.

"I've not met any other person that has been able to transcend the kind of experiences she's gone through and still hold it together," Muller said. "She's one of a kind."

Ung recently moved to suburban Cleveland where her husband grew up. He knows though that someday he'll probably be living in Cambodia where Ung owns 2 1/2 acres and plans to build a home.

"I feel so vibrant and alive and conscious in Cambodia," she said.

For now she keeps plenty of reminders of the country in her fourth-floor home office — a statue of Buddha, a photograph of a palm tree and rice field that Ung feels captures the country's beauty.

Her office overlooks a wood deck that has been painted rusty red to remind her of the soil of her native home.

She's working on her first novel, set in 1148 in Cambodia. She's shy about revealing the plot. Again, she's sure it will only sell 10 copies.

of my life. I found this to be odd, but it's very true. On a dark freshman night on the cold, tile floors of Sparkman, two weeks before school started, I met an earthy cowgirl from North Dakota. Whoever knew a city girl and a yankee could be the closest of friends?

My other experiences in this town have been interesting to say the least. Driving 30 minutes to go see a movie. The menu for eating out only consisting of fried foods. The best clubs in town are all Brother's.

I will admit, I have enjoyed learning about some of the city's highpoints. Take the library, for example. Where will you find another campus where the library is the tallest building in the city, providing an awesome view for dreaded research? And though it only came in my last days, the Super Wal-Mart quickly became a hot spot. Then there's the each deadline night at the Chanticleer, where I've laughed and stressed in the same minute. When I'm out in the other real world I'll miss the writing, discussions and the quote board.

However, only here does a US highway slow down to a clocked 25 miles per hour. A road which has me doing three-point turns in my grass because it's illegal to back out onto a highway. It took me a while to get used to the pedestrians backing up traffic too. Besides the fact that we don't have over-the-road bridges, drivers here are almost too polite, stopping two blocks before the crosswalk.

Everything has been a learning experience. From yelling out my social security number to get lunch to being able to personally know my professors. I'm also convinced there's not a more personal and efficient President. Whether at his house or at the basketball game, Dr. Meehan is one of the best components that make up this university.

The music has faded down and the lights have stopped flashing. Please step out and exit to the left. I'll turn the key and lock the door one last time. After seventeen years I'm finally finished, and yet I've just begun.



Jacksonville:
04/14/05
Pat Green-Jacksonville State University

Birmingham:
04/14/05
Drew Holcomb-Moonlight Music Cafe
Red Letter Agent-The Nick
Lynn Miles-Workplay Theatre
04/15/05

Tony Furtado-Moonlight Music Cafe
Caddle-The Nick
Hangface-The Nick
Jason Ringenberg-The Nick
Galactic-Workplay Theatre
The 17th Floor-Zydeco
04/16/05

John Prine-Alabama Theatre
Keb' Mo'-Alabama Theatre
"Champions On Ice"-Birm.
Jefferson Arena
Zig & The Zigtones-Courtyard 280
Pacific Stereo-The Nick
The Sammies-The Nick
The Talk-The Nick
Rollin' In The Hay-Zydeco
04/17/05

Mark Kozelek-The Nick
Sun Kil Moon-The Nick
04/19/05
Che Arthur-The Nick
Caddle-Zydeco
Silvertide-Zydeco
04/20/05
The Dead Kenny G's-The Nick

Atlanta:
04/14/05
Capitol Years-Drunken Unicorn
The High Strung-Drunken Unicorn
Backstreet Boys-Earthlink Live
Ever We Fall-Lenny's

Limitpoint-Lenny's
Slowdance-Lenny's
Dale Watson-Smith's Olde Bar
The Rounders-Smith's Olde Bar
Garbage-Tabernacle
The Dead 60's-Tabernacle
Scout Niblett-The EARL
The Kills-The EARL
Tiger Tiger-The EARL
04/15/05
John Prine-Fox Theatre
Keb' Mo'-Fox Theatre
Sean Costello-Northside Tavern
Virginia Coalition-Ogelthorpe University
Jim White-Red Light Cafe
Tommy Thompson Band-Smith's Olde Bar
De Novo Dahl-The EARL
Hot Young Priest-The EARL
The Whigs-The EARL
Zakk Wylde Black Label Society-The Masquerade
"A Family Affair Tour"-Under The Couch
Brandison-Under The Couch
Cartel-Under The Couch
The Rocket Summer-Under The Couch
Umbrellas-Under The Couch
04/16/05
Obsession Day-Andrews Upstairs
Stroke 9-Andrews Upstairs
Sean Costello-Northside Tavern
Cecil "Peanut" Daniels Jr.-Smith's Olde Bar
Moonshine Still-Smith's Olde Bar
"VIP Summer Music Kickoff Tour"-Tabernacle
Andrew W.K. Tabernacle
High Speed Scene-Tabernacle
Hush-Tabernacle
Squad Five-0-Tabernacle
Brodie Stove-The EARL
Home Of The Wildcats-The EARL
Shipping News-The EARL
DJ Wonder-The Loft (formerly Vinyl)
Dizzee Rascal-The Loft (formerly Vinyl)
Behemoth-The Masquerade
King Diamond-The Masquerade
Lost City Angels-The Masquerade

Nile-The Masquerade
The Black Dahlia Murder-The Masquerade
The Unseen-The Masquerade
Tiger Army-The Masquerade
Mountain Feat. Leslie West & Corky Laing-Variety Playhouse
04/17/05
American Head Charge-Earthlink Live
Bloodsimple-Earthlink Live
Life Of Agony-Earthlink Live
Mudvayne-Earthlink Live
"Champions On Ice"-Philips Arena
Nu South Subterraneans-The EARL
Squat-The EARL
Fall Out Boy-The Masquerade
Gym Class Heroes-The Masquerade
Silverstein-The Masquerade
The Academy Is...-The Masquerade
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Nathan Sheppard-Atlanta Room -Smith's Olde Bar
Robbie Robertson-Atlanta Room @ Smith's Olde Bar
Hella-Drunken Unicorn
Out Hud-Drunken Unicorn
That 1 Guy-Smith's Olde Bar
The Blame Game-The EARL
The Fucking Champs-The EARL
Crematorium-The Masquerade
The Red Death-The Masquerade
Vehemence-The Masquerade
04/19/05
Connor Rand-Smith's Olde Bar
Moot Davis-Smith's Olde Bar
Pete Anderson-Smith's Olde Bar
Billy Idol-Tabernacle
Mahjongg-The EARL
Basia Feat. Matt Bianco-Variety Playhouse
04/20/05
Jesse Sykes & The Sweet Hereafter-Red Light Cafe
420-Smith's Olde Bar
Clay Cook-Smith's Olde Bar
Alaska!-The EARL
Day Mars Ray-The EARL
Zap Mama-Variety Playhouse

Horoscopes

ARIES: (March 21-April 20)
Although you are an easy-going character, you may easily offend someone if you are not at your diplomatic best. Spiritual inspiration comes in the company of like-minded friends. There is a real opportunity for success, but only if you're willing to change.

TAURUS: (April 21 - May 21)
Continue to insist on quality and honesty in all your dealings, especially when issues are in the spotlight. It may be the best time to examine how to best use your talents and abilities, and whether or not you need to shift gears where a job is concerned.

GEMINI: (May 22 - June 21)
The darker side of family members' personalities may emerge if you are dealing with money. Remember that you can only do so much when someone else controls the situation. A requirement of personal interaction must be that you will be treated as an equal. No need to divulge secrets.

CANCER: (June 22 - July 23)
You are in danger of being seduced by something that has an attractive outer appearance, but won't hold up under close scrutiny. If greed is a part of your motivation, put a stop to it immediately. Don't criticize another unless it is done with the compassion.

LEO: (July 24- August 23)
Your energy level is at top speed - slow down and be a bit more cautious. It's time to talk about your need for a great deal of independence in relationships, so there are no uncomfortable surprises later. Clarify your point of view and assure others

LIBRA: (September 24 - October 23)
Your ideas and information could make the difference, be sure you inform those who can get the wheels turning. Self-sacrifice for the sake of loved ones is a joyful gift. But there are those who might want to take exception to your plans.

SCORPIO: (October 24 - November 22)
Clear communication will be very important. Follow up as soon as possible on all correspondence. You are set to make things happen and now have all you need at your disposal to do so. Changes need to be made at home - the suggestions won't be met with enthusiasm.

SAGITTARIUS: (November 23 - December 21)
An unexpected money gift will give you the chance to try something new. You feel like you're walking off the edge of your usual routine, and the feeling is exhilarating. Take care of your own needs, which may include taking some time for yourself. Be prudent.

CAPRICORN: (December 22 - January 20)
Always remember that change is the only constant - for your idea of self may be a bit shaken up now. Attitude is everything

when dealing with situations and people out of the norm. There are a few relationships important to you that need attention; be sure to state your needs clearly.

AQUARIUS: (January 21 - February 19)
Something important you have been looking forward to is about to appear. Don't let your ego get the best of you and induce you to do something really risky. You're looking for a leadership role, but the time isn't right. Wait for the perfect moment to make your bid.

PISCES: (February 20 - March 20)
All seems quite well this week. In fact, you are probably sitting on top of the world. This satisfaction can come from several areas. Perhaps your love life is improving, or you may have just accomplished something at work. Pay very close attention to all you hear now.

IF THIS WEEK IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Your daily grind may now become more frantic and all consuming, which may lead to depleted health. Rest and relaxation are definitely in order for the next several months - to rejuvenate your frazzled energies. Make sure all communications are crystal clear; messages may get easily confused.

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College Concoctions

Fabulous Strawberry Muffins

Firm fresh strawberries work best in this recipe, but when the season is over substitute blueberries, cherries or chopped peaches.

2 1/2 cup flour
1/2 cup sugar
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 1/2 cup buttermilk
1/3 cup melted butter
2 eggs, slightly beaten
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 pint fresh strawberries, hulled and chopped
Additional sugar for topping

1.Pre heat oven to 400°F. Spray muffin tin with nonstick cooking spray or line muffin cups with paper cupcake liners.
2.On a large bowl combine flour, sugar, baking powder, baking soda and salt, stir well until all ingredient are well blended.
3.In another bowl, whisk together the buttermilk, butter, eggs and vanilla. Make a well in the middle of the dry ingredients and pour liquid mixture in and the strawberries.
4.Using a large spoon, gently fold ingredients just until moist do not overmix.
5.Spoon the batter evenly into 12 muffin cups. Sprinkle each muffin with about 1/2 teaspoon sugar, if desired.
6.Bake 20 to 25 minutes.

Makes 12 muffins.

Strawberry and Spinach Salad

This spring salad is teaming with Vitamin A and Vitamin C.

The bright green of the spinach and contrasting red of the strawberries is beautiful and the flavors are excellent together.

1 pint fresh strawberries
2 bunches fresh spinach
1/2 cup sugar
1 1/2 tablespoons minced green onion
1/2 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1/2 teaspoon paprika
1/2 cup olive oil
1/2 cup balsamic or cider vinegar
2 tablespoons sesame seeds

1.Wash strawberries under cool running water. Remove caps and set aside to drain.
2.Wash spinach and remove large tough stems. Tear large leaves into small pieces. Drain.
3.In a medium bowl combine remaining ingredients and whisk together.
4.Slice strawberries into halves or quarters and place in a large bowl. Add dry spinach.
5.Pour dressing over all and toss.

Makes 8 servings.

Strawberry Banana Power Shake

This is a great breakfast shake. It is quick and nutritious. Eliminate the jam, if desired and use an additional 1/2 cup strawberries.

1 cup skim milk
3 tablespoons wheat germ
1 tablespoon strawberry jam
1/2 cup sliced strawberries
1 small very ripe banana
4 ice cubes
Place all ingredients in a

blender; blend on high speed until smooth, scraping down ingredients in blender if necessary. Divide into two tall glasses and drink with a straw.
Makes 2 servings.

Strawberry Sauce

This sauce can be used to spoon over yogurt with fresh strawberries, ice cream, pound cake or your favorite dessert. Great as topping for pancakes and waffles too.

2/3 cup sugar
1 pint strawberries, washed and hulled
1/3 cup water
1 tablespoon lemon juice

1.Place sugar and 1/3 cup water in a small saucepan, stir and bring to a boil. Simmer until the sugar is completely dissolved.
2.Allow the syrup to cool completely. Hasten cooling by setting pan in a shallow bowl of ice water.

3.Place half the berries in the jar of a blender; add lemon juice and all the cooled syrup. Puree until smooth.

4.Press through fine sieve to remove some of the strawberry seeds, if desired.

5.Coarsely chop remaining strawberries and add to strawberry puree. Serve. Can be stored refrigerated, in tightly covered containers for up to 4 days.

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your head for a great deal of independence in relationships, so there are no uncomfortable surprises later. Clarify your point of view and assure others no offense was meant.

VIRGO: (August 24 - September 23)

Romance is in the picture, but beware of jealous behavior. Point out that you are no one's possession. Words of love may get an immediate response, but be assured that you are appreciated. Your primary relationship will distract you from your work if you don't get a grip.

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SPORTS

Gamecocks fight back for series win against SEMO

From Staff Reports
Special to The Chanticleer

The JSU softball team defeated Samford 4-3 to claim their season series against the Bulldogs.

Jacksonville State opened up scoring in the second inning off an RBI double by freshman Alana Hicks. In the bottom of the second, Samford answered with a run, and later took a 3-2 lead.

"A lot of times, we'd hit the ball right to them, and that's the nature of the game," said JSU head coach Jana McGinnis, "but I was proud of our team for not giving up."

Samford grasped to their 3-2 lead until the sixth inning, when pitcher Susanna Meyer walked in JSU seniors Samantha Gutierrez and Melinda McDonald.

The Gamecocks took a 4-3 lead off the walks and held the Bulldogs the rest of the way. Carly Kellam had a solid performance, recording six strikeouts in the win.

"What an exciting game. That's the kind of game you have when you're battling for first place," said McGinnis. "Any time you can beat Samford, that's a big win."

Last weekend, the Gamecocks won a thrilling weekend series against Tennessee Tech, taking 2 of the 3 games. Carly Kellam shined

on the mound, finishing the weekend with a 1.33 ERA and 18 strikeouts.

Game 1 of the Saturday double-header was an offensive struggle for the Gamecocks. The girls had only three hits, losing the first game 2-0. For Tech, Katie Speiser went 2-for-2 with a run scored. Pitcher Bonnie Bynum took the win for the Golden Eagles.

In Game 2, both teams battled back and forth offensively, but the Gamecocks hung on to take the win 7-5. Jacksonville State took an early lead in the second inning off a homerun by freshman Lauren Horwath.

Tennessee Tech answered with an RBI by Stephanie Fischer in the fourth. In the bottom of the fourth, the Gamecocks put the game out of Tech's reach with an RBI single by Whitney Elder and a 2-RBI hit by Devan Spence. Christine Pierce struck out five batters as JSU won the nightcap.

Game 3 on Sunday was one of the more exciting games of the Jacksonville State season, as the girls prevailed 6-3 over the Golden Eagles. The Gamecocks had an impressive hitting performance, with the girls chalking up nine hits in the win.

Melinda McDonald led the way for Jacksonville State, as she went

3-for-4 with 3 RBI and a 2-run homer.

"I think we all did our job today," said McDonald. "It was a good offensive day all around, and a good win."

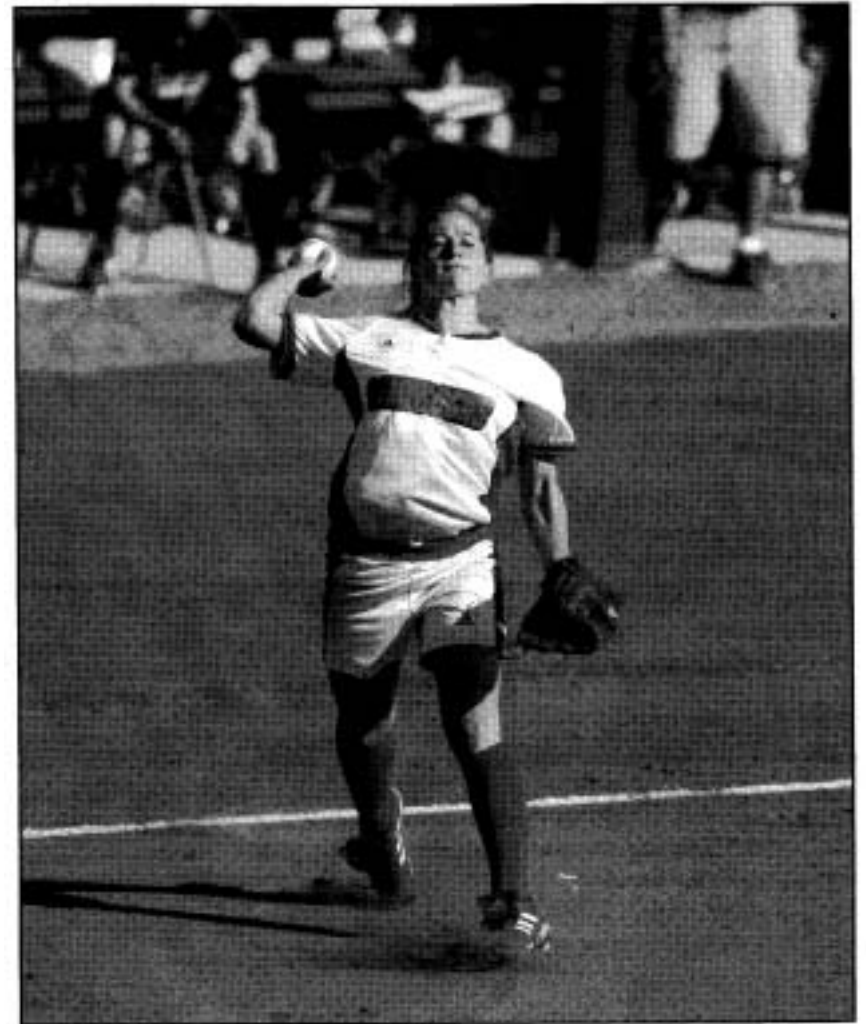
The Golden Eagles rallied to take a 3-2 lead in the sixth inning, when the crowd at University Field exploded in support of the Gamecocks. Daniela Pappano opened the inning with a walk, followed by a single by Maign

Alexander which allowed Pappano to advance to third. Breanne Oleman followed up with an RBI single to right field. Whitney Elder and Melinda McDonald each had RBI doubles later in the sixth, and freshman Alana Hicks got an RBI bunt.

After being relieved in the sixth inning, pitcher Carly Kellam re-entered the game in the seventh to secure the victory.

"I think Carly had a great game; she put us on her back and won the ballgame for us," said Coach McGinnis. "We knew we had to make better adjustments today and play. I'm proud of how the girls stayed with it."

Jacksonville State will return to action Saturday, as the girls host Morehead State in a three-game weekend series.



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Becky Carpenetti throws a runner out from third.

Track runs strong at Austin Peay Invitational

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Jacksonville State's track team

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third place finish, and ran the second fastest time in school history in the 800 meters with a time of 2:21.95.

Andrea Arnaud won the women's

pole vault with a jump of 2.90 meters, while LaChandra Bartholomew finished third in the shot put with a toss of 9.86 meters.

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ments and keep getting better week by week," said Dudley. "It was really great to see all the great performances this week."

ISU's next meet is April 16th at

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Jacksonville State's track team posted another strong performance at the Austin Peay Invitational on Saturday.

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Austin Peay in four weeks for the OVC Meet," JSU head coach Heath Dudley said. "We had a lot of personal bests along with a couple of school records which shows we are getting better week by week."

Eboni Matthews won the 200 meter dash with a time of 24.61, while Sarah Caine broke the school record in the 1500 meters, with a

third place finish, and ran the second fastest time in school history in the 800 meters with a time of 2:21.95.

Andrea Arnaud won the women's high jump with a jump of 1.58 meters and finished second in the women's triple jump with a leap of 11.45 meters.

Rachel Doak finished third in the

pole vault with a jump of 2.90 meters, while LaChandra Bartholomew finished third in the shot put with a toss of 9.86 meters.

Edisha Brown and Whitney Pruett both set personal bests. Brown's came in the 400 with a time of 59.10, while Pruett's came in the 800 with a time of 5:03.60.

"We have made a lot of improve-

ments and keep getting better week by week," said Dudley. "It was really great to see all the great performances this week."

JSU's next meet is April 16th at the Mississippi State hosted, Jace Lacoste Invite.

JSU's Alexander claims OVC of the week honors

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Jacksonville State's Maign Alexander has been named the Ohio Valley Conference Player of the Week, as announced by the league office late Monday afternoon.

Alexander led JSU with eight RBI this week and tallied a slugging percentage of 1.091, which included a grand slam to go ahead of Eastern Kentucky in the Gamecocks second win over the Colonels last Sunday. She batted .455 going 5-for-11 with two home runs and five walks on the week. Alexander, a junior outfielder from Hillsboro, Oregon, leads the Gamecocks this season with a .400 batting average and a .700 slugging percentage.



Courtesy/JSU Alex Stillwagon

Baseball loses first OVC series

From Staff Reports
Special to The Chanticleer

Jacksonville State baseball dropped the third game of the series with Eastern Illinois, 6-3, to lose its first OVC series of the 2005 season.

Eastern Illinois (8-21, 5-4) jumped out to an early, one run lead, scoring in the first inning on a Jason Cobb sacrifice fly to score Mark Chagnon. JSU (13-16, 5-4) would tie the game at one in the bottom of the fourth, as Brian Piazza would score, after his lead off single, when Bret Pettus would get a base hit to right field.

The Panthers would add another run in the top half of the fifth, as Ryan Campbell would double down the right field line to score Jon Hickey, but the Gamecocks would answer with a run, of their own, in the bottom of the seventh. With two down, Austin Stein drew a walk and would later score on Jake Ball shot at third base.

Eastern Illinois would take a 6-2 advantage over the Gamecocks with a four hit, four run, eighth inning, that JSU couldn't recover.

Jax State would add one run in the bottom of the ninth, as Winston Pearson would score, following a lead off single, on a Ball single to right field.

EIU's Chris Vaculik (3-3) would get the win for the Panthers, going

two and a third innings, allowing one run on three hits.

JSU's Donovan Hand (5-2) would take the loss, going five and two-third innings, giving up five runs on six hits, while fanning five and walking one.

Jacksonville State's baseball team earned a split of the three-game series with Eastern Illinois, taking the second game by a score of 7-2.

After dropping the first game, 9-6, to the Panthers (7-21, 4-4), JSU's (13-15, 5-3) bats awoke in game two, as the Gamecocks pounded out seven runs on 10 hits.

JSU added one run in both the second and third innings to take an early 2-0 lead on EIU.

In the fourth inning, after leading off with a single, Ray Bearden would score on a Winston Pearson single up the middle and give the Gamecocks a 3-0 lead. Later, Bret Pettus would score on a Clint Carroll single.

The inning was capped off by a Jason Ball sacrifice fly to left field, scoring Pearson and giving the Gamecocks a 5-0 lead.

"I thought it was a character check for our guys," JSU head coach Jim Case said. "We left a lot of runners on base in the first game. I thought we could come out one of two ways, either be really flat or get after it."

The two teams would each add two runs in the final innings of the contest.

JSU's Jon Clements got the win, pitching his second complete game of the season and improving his record to 2-3. Clements allowed two runs on three hits, striking out five and walking four.

"I thought Jon was fantastic early. He was really throwing some electric stuff," said Case. "He did struggle with his control later, but he really went out there and competed."

In the first game, the Panthers and Gamecocks combined for 15 runs on 27 hits in the contest, but the Gamecocks would come up on the short end, losing the game 9-6.

After two teams finished the first inning tied at one each, EIU never relinquished the lead, as Jax State could not over take the Panther lead, cutting the lead to one, twice in the game.

"I thought from a pitching standpoint, we fell behind early," Case said. "They were tacking on runs and we just weren't able to get the hits." EIU's Kyle Widegren (2-4) would get the win, going five and a third innings, giving up five runs on 11 hits.

Jax State's Josh Forrest (1-1) dropped his first game of the season, pitching four innings, while allowing five runs on seven hits.

Game three of this series is Sunday at 1 p.m. at Rudy Abbott Field.

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SPORTS

Pat Green and
a bid farewell
to my fans! Hi
mom and dad!

What was the # 1 story of this past year?

By
Amado Ortiz
The Chanticleer
Sports Editor



From the rifle team to Cobie's last second shot, Chanticleer sports runs down the top stories of the past year.

In the wonderful world of journalism, deadlines come and deadlines go and the worst deadline of all came on Tuesday. This edition of the paper would be its last of the semester.

Talk about a deadline. But that is all part of the gig.

The one thing I wish that could be different is the amount of press every sport receives. It is very hard to cover all the sports with a limited staff.

In my opinion, the football player, rifle shooter, and track runner are all the same but it is hard to cover all the sports equally. I believe they all work equally hard but I guess that is the nature of the business.

That doesn't mean I agree with it. Everyone gives them flak about getting breaks and getting the easy road.

But honestly, it is not like they get out of all the school work, they have to do it eventually after they have practices and games.

I know there are people out there that are saying " Hey Armando, I have to work 30 hours a week, or I'm in the SGA, or I play in the band or I am in the let's check the Chanticleer for grammatical errors club and I deserve some slack too.

I hear your cry. It is not like I get any flexibility for covering the sports either. But hear my cry. (It is not their fault either.)

We are all students and we should all stick together no matter what.



Courtesy JSU Steve Latham



Courtesy JSU Alex Stillwagon

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We are all students and we should all stick together no matter what.

That is why my final column as sports editor is not even going to be about sports.

I found myself preaching to the choir when someone asked me if I was going to the Pat Green concert last week. I put on a smile and said, "I already have plans and I have to start studying for a final." My honest answer should have been no because I just don't like the music.

Little did I know that I hurt the individual's feelings with my response.

I started to wonder why and thought what is the big deal.

You know, somebody probably worked real hard on booking the entertainment. You know, someone took the time to plan it on a Thursday night. (Jacksonville's party night) You know, the SGA probably doesn't make any money on the concert and basically does it for the student body.

So I said to myself, "You know Amado, what makes this event different from a sports event?"

I tried all semester to increase attendance at sporting events and support the students. Then reality hit when a member of the SGA asked me if I was going to the concert.

I knew right then and there that a member of the student government is just the same as a student athlete.

They need your support just as well. If you are an athlete and you are upset that no one came to your games, then here is your chance. Some people like Pat Green and some people don't, but that really isn't the point.

The point is that the concert is a student sponsored event and we all need to stick together because we are all students, including myself.

I am going to buy a ticket to the concert and find someone that wants to go. I went asking around and I got a weird response. "Why no, you can't even drink at it," said the student.

I guess that too is the nature of the business but when does it ever stop being about "I" and start being about you. The question should really be "What can I do for you?" instead of "What can you do for me?"



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From Amado Ortiz Chanticleer Sports Editor

There were many top stories honorable of our list but after careful consideration and long discussions, Chanticleer Sports came up with the top 5 and we threw in a couple of honorable mentions.

Honorable mention

After experiencing its most athletically successful year since making the move to Division I in 1995, Jacksonville State University claimed one of the league's most prestigious honors, the OVC Academic Achievement Banner, for the 2003-04 year.

The OVC Academic Achievement Banner is given annually to the school whose student-athletes have the highest combined grade point average as compared to the average for the entire full-time undergraduate student body.

Jacksonville State's student-athletes had a combined grade point average of 2.88, which eclipsed the 2.36 average of the

entire full-time undergraduate student body. Eight JSU student-athletes achieved a perfect 4.0 average during the 2003-04 academic year.

Honorable mention

Jacksonville State's Daniela Pappano doubled to center field in the eighth inning to score Melinda McDonald and defeat No. 7 Georgia 3-2 at the Second Annual Georgia Softball Classic at the Georgia Soccer/Softball Complex on South Milledge.

"I think it is one of the biggest wins that our softball program has ever had," said JSU head coach Jana McGinnis. "We hope that this gets us more respect throughout the southeast, even though beating Georgia does not make our season. Our ultimate goal is to win the Ohio Valley Conference Championship."

#5

The JSU baseball got hot at the right time of the year and Senior Bobby Wynns pitched eight scoreless innings to lead the Gamecocks to a 5-1 win

over Southeast Missouri State as the Gamecocks claimed the 2004 Ohio Valley Conference Baseball Championship.

It was the first conference baseball championship for the Gamecocks since claiming the 1991 Gulf South Conference title and the first since moving to Division I in 1995. JSU went on to the NCAA Atlanta regional to play Georgia Tech and Mississippi State.

#4

Even with all the injuries and all the adversity, the Gamecocks managed to pull off two huge upsets. The Gamecocks beat eventual OVC champion Eastern Kentucky 70-55.

Eastern Kentucky eventually took #2 seed Kentucky to the wire in the NCAA tournament.

Walker Russell led the Gamecocks with 16 points and seven assists, Walker D. Russell scored 30 points with 11 assists and set a school record by sinking 18-of-19 from the free throw line as

Jacksonville State claimed an 88-87 double-overtime win over Tennessee Tech in the

most heart inspired game of the year.

#3

Cobie Carlisle, knocked down a jumper with 20 seconds left in the game to lift Jacksonville State past Tennessee State 65-64 in the first round of the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament.

"We talked about that situation before it happened," said JSU head coach Dave Dagostino. "Shot selection is a huge part of our offense and ideally you want that shot a little later on. Cobie has no problem taking the big shot and that was a shot she can hit. When Cobie took that shot, at that point in time, statistics went out the window."

#2

Jacksonville State lost its second OVC game ever to Tennessee Tech 13-16 and questions started to rise about a repeat. Tech went on to play Samford and lost to the bulldogs the following week.

JSU was up next for

Samford but the Gamecocks answered all questions with a 51-18 beating of the Bulldogs.

JSU would later claim its second straight Ohio Valley Conference Football Championship with a 47-9 win over Southeast Missouri State.

#1

The top story of the 2004-2005 year belongs to the men and women of the rifle team.

Jacksonville State finished second, just one point shy of winning the 2005 NCAA Men's and Women's Rifle Championship, at the United States Olympic Training Center.

It marks the highest-ever finish for the Gamecock rifle team, which claimed the 2005 Ohio Valley Conference Championship two weeks ago.

The United States Military Academy claimed the Championship with an aggregate score of 4,659, while Jacksonville State finished with a total score of 4,658.